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ORDNANCE PRODUCTION IS FAILING; TROOPS HAVE NO BROWNING GUNS YET

Delivery of Machine Rifles, Promised for April, Is Not Begun.

ALLIES CANNOT ASSIST

Losses in Great Drive Prevent Them From Turn. ing Over Artillery.

INQUIRY IS UNDER WAY

Congress Plans to Learn What Has Happened to Programme.

Special Despatch to THE Sex. WASHINGTON, May 5 .- Deliveries of the new Browning machine gun from the factories to the United States Army promised by Secretary of War Baker berly in February have fallen seriously

elted to the Senate. Recently Chairman Chamberlain of the Military Committee designated a special sub-committee to renew in detell the investigation of the ordnance pituation inaugurated last winter. This sub-committee has by no means com pleted this work, but its preliminary survey of the situation, it was learned to-day, has been, to say the least, dis-

According to estimates of production, en which the War Department laid great stress and expressed remarkable certainty in February, the Browning machine guns of the heavy type were to have begun pouring into the army authorities in April. By the end of April, according to the estimates, 3,000 of these weapons were to have been in the service and ready for transporthe service and ready for transpor-tation overseas. The \$,000 have not expeared. The deliveries have not be-

Inquiry Is Disquieting.

The investigation of the general situation in ordnance of the middle and leavy types of artillery is bringing small gratification. Already the investigators fire finding out that the productions of three inch and heavier field artillery is slipping slowly behind the promises of the Secretary of War and his subordithe Secretary of War and his subordi-pates. The slipping is serious. It is growing more and more serious as the investigation proceeds, for the need of atiliery and machine guns to-day is greater than was anticipated when Mr. Jiaker testified. The German drive is

one reason for this. It is well known in Washington that partment officials made to the Senate and reiterated to the public through officials and the Administration press that orces in France would be met by suptiles in quantity from the British and stand the Irish temperament that if cannot now be maintained by

The German drive, with the incidenof losses through capture and destrucand for new machine guns, field artilt Hery for land service, has depleted the lied supply to a point where the origte met only through a veritably suicida sacrifice of the needed weapons. The e e now making anxious inquiries as he promised American production in

American Ald Expected.

Throughout the early months of this ar Secretary Baker has been relying these French and British promises to sure the American people that all will tecognized that, generous and compre-lensive as the Allies' promises were, they were made with a certain reserve of enticipation that the known speed up ower of America would relieve the It has not, according to informa leaning from their resumed survey o

According to the testimony of Major Crozier. Chief of Ordnance, the reeds per army division of heavy trowning guns is 234, while almost ree times as many of the lighter type allotted to a division of ap the shortage is telling most seriously.

BRITAIN MAY KILL DOGS TO SAVE FOOD

Owners of Pets Are in Alarm Over Agitation.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Copyright, 1918; all rights reserved. LONDON, May 5.—With between four ad five million dogs in the United King-om, on 2,500,000 of which the owners are paying license taxes, the questio them and the advisability of silling off a percentage is occupying the attention of the Government.

In a committee report which will be

soon it is estimated that the dogs in the country consume food ation of the British Isles, assuming ation of the British Isles, assuming the dogs consume material which

t is understood that the committee ends to recommend a large reduction life number of dogs; that no person shall be entitled to retain more than with. Already the owners of pets but he was promptly released a proper of pets but he was promptly released a transferred to the Pomeranian town. way with. Aiready the owners of pets

Waiter Jefferies, who is the greates color of buildogs, including the cele-ated Rodney Stone, has destroyed all test two of his kennel. A writer in ne of the newspapers warns the Go reasonable opposition than a matter nich endangers British liberties. He compelled to confess ignorance. A docu-erlares that Waiter Long found it more ment found since, however, shows that the German for tank is 'Sturmpanserthan to govern Ireland.

Irish Parliament to Settle Draft Dispute

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUN. Copyright, 1918; all rights reserved. PARIS, May 5.—A despatch received here by the British Press Bureau from Arthur J. Balfour, the British Foreign Secretary, and as yet not made public lic, says that the decision has been taken by the British Gov-ernment to speed up the settle-ment of the Irish question and to introduce at once in the House of Commons a bill granting Ire-land a full measure of home rule, with provisions for conscription to be made by the Irish Parlia-ment after home rule is obtained.

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behind the optimistic anticipations re- Appointment as Lord Lieutenant Expected to Ease Way to Home Rule.

MAY SAVE CONSCRIPTION

Erin's Foremost Soldier Expected to Accomplish Result Through Enlistment.

Special Cable Despatch to Tun Bun. Copyright. 1915; all rights reserved. LONDON, May 5 .- Official announcement of Field Marshal Viscount French, for along time Commander in Chief of the British forces on the front in France, to be Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and of Edward Short, member of Parliament from Newcastle, to be Chief Secretary. Viscount French is Ireland's foremost

soldier, and in his appointment Premier Lloyd George has appealed to the mili-tary spirit of the Irish people, irrespec-tive of their views on conscription. By this unexpected move the Prime Minister has flanked the Irish politicians, who never have lost sight of the political advantages to be gained by their opposition

Viscount French will have the effect of greatly stimulating voluntary enlist-ments as he is first and always an Irish soldier and never has been identified with politics. He was Colonel of the Irish Guards and was Colonel in Chief

in the first year of the war fought under

ing them, conscription would be un-

fore the commission investigating that uprising absolved him from responsibil-

the outbreak. amander in Chief of the British peditionary forces in France and Beigium at the outbreak of the war in Au end of 1915. In January, 1916, he was appointed Commander in Chief of the home forces. He is a knight of the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick.

EAST CAVAN FIGHT ON.

Efforts for Joint Meetings by Speakers Result in Failure. By the Associated Press. Dunity, May 5.—The opening of the ection campaign in East Caven brought

the constituency to-day about twenty organization. Attempts to make arangements for rival speakers to use the umerous rival meetings were held. Priests who made addresses spoke on sides, but generally urged the Bishop's appeal for a compromise t withdrawal of both candidates. sides agreed to denouncing conscription, but the Sinn Poiners repudiated the ac-tion of Parilament and demanded that Ireland's case must come before a peace

EMERY IN POMERANIA.

Professor Is Not a Prisoner in Germany, Report Says.

Beelin, via Amsterdam, May 5.—
Prof. Henry Crosby Emery, American, who was selzed when the Germans tions where they had been left off.
Another report now available rel to Germany, is now at Zauenberg Pom-erania. He is not a prisoner, being merely compelled to report to the local police and not permitted to leave Germany at present. Prof. Emery is suspected of actively identifying himself with the Bolshevik propaganda in the Alan Islands and Finland. When Prof. Emery was first brought

to Germany he was assigned to the prison camp at Tuchel, West Prussia.

STURMPANZERKRAFTWAGEN."

Cheer Up, It's Hobensollernese, Meaning Just a Tank.

Paris. May 5 .- The war corresponden "Some one asked me recently the Germans called their 'tanks.' kraftwagen.

CLASS 1 TO BE TAKEN BY JULY

Draft May Reach Other Groups, Crowder Tells House Committee.

MANY EXEMPT AS LABOR

2,000,000 Men in First Division Left, but Nearly Third Are Physically Unfit.

Special Despatch to Tan Sex. f 2,170,000 men for military service July 1, which was outlined Friday by Secretary Baker before the House Committee on Military Affairs, will exhaust the registrants in Class 1, according to figures supplied to-day by the office of the Provost Marshal General,

and probably make heavy inroads on other classes also.

While the number of men registered in classes 2 and 3 have not been made public by Gen. Crowder, it is believed that a considerable number of the army which Secretary Baker has outlined to which Secretary Baker has outlined to the House committee will eventually the House committee will eventually be drawn from these groups. The call for these men will be issued only when all of the remaining 2,000,000 men in Class I have been called for service, and either sent to training camps or exempted for reasons specified in the draft law.

Approximately 2,000,000 names remain subject to call in Class 1 besides the 1,000,000 already in service. The passage of the bill pending before Congress for registration of men who have reached 21 years since last June is expected to furnish about 700,000 additional men for furnish about 700,000 additional men for

called in the first 680,000 showed 29.11 per cent, unfit physically for service, according to the report of Provost Mar-shal General Crowder to Secretary The opinion exists in the War Office that about the same number of men not fitted physically for service will be found

Gen. Crowder's report shows further Gen. Crowder's report shows further that 8.18 per cent. of the men called last to begin the preliminary consideration of fall failed to reapond. Some had already voluntered for service in the army or navy, others had died, and still others had changed addresses without notifying the local draft boards.

2'tany of the men in the first class are employed in shipbuilding yards, muni-tions undergo a material and altogether.

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standpoint. Others in farming districts are badly needed in agricultural work. CONCRETE SHIP A SUCCESS.

make exemption feasible from a military

Field Marshal Viscount French was AMERICANS ENGAGE IN FOUR AIR FIGHTS

Our Machines Return With Shell Holes in Wings.

By the Associated Press

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE May 5 — Four more aerial battles were reported to-day by American airmen flying in the sector northwest of Toul All of the combats were indecisive, although one of the American machines returned with bullet holes in its wings and two others with holes torn by frag-ments of shells from anti-aircraft guns. How the Germans fared is not known A report yesterday said two German planes had been downed on the Picardy

The first report was from the pilot of a pursuit airplane who encountered the enemy over the lines at a height of 5,000 meters. The pair fought a duel od the for several minutes, the German finally by the turning quickly and, running into the Both direct line of the sun in his homeward

way, getting clear.
Later one of the American photographing machines was attacked by two cuemy airplanes. The American observer emptied one aof his guns into one of the enemy machines. Then the American pilot exercised discretion and turned homeward. The Germans re they turned and went home. The American airplane circled once or twice and then went back over the lines and calmly resumed the photographic opera-Another report now available relates a somewhat similar incident, except that this time three of the enemy attacked two of our machines which were work-

ing with our artillery.

In the fourth engagement a German salied up in the direction of one of the American photographic planes, but one of the fast American fighting machines rushed in, causing the German to turn tail and flee toward home. The German anti-aircraft pieces got busy at the same time and broke out numerous "flower pots," or, as the British airmen call them, "flying onions." This is an "Archie" shell, which when it bursts

This Is a ·Wheatless Day

U.S. BETTER OFF OUR MEN AGAIN BY 5 BILLIONS THAN YEAR AGO

mittee Expects No New Loan Until Winter.

TAX RETURNS A SURPRISE DISCOVERED BY PATROL

Estimates by About \$1,000,000,000.

Special Despatch to THE STY. WASHINGTON, May 5 .- Chairman Simnons of the Senate Committee on Fi- FRANCE, other Liberty Loan, may not be necessary until next winter.

"I am gratified," he said, "by showing made all along the line in the months that have elapsed since the war revenue act was approved and there is every reason to be honeful as well as grateful that conditions are as they are." In the opinion of the North Carolina 000,000,000 than the expectation of a year ago indicated it would be. The

ment. There are other elements of equal importance besides the success of the three loans and by no means the least of these is the heavy return from excess profits taxation indicated in the nary returns to the collectors of

Returns Exceed Estimates.

"These returns are as yet indefinite, but there has already been disclosed the fact that from this source the treasury of the United States will receive several undred millions more than the framers f the war revenue act anticipated." aid Mr. Simmons. "Daniel C. Roper. the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, ts not yet prepared to give a definite es-timate of the returns from the excess profits tax or the income tax either, but he is convinced that both will return handsome excesses of the original estimated maximum in both cases.

"It is possible that the difference between the advance estimates and the actual return will approximate a billion dollars. This is why it will not be necessary at this session of Congress even posts

unlooked for change during the ensuing concluding session of the Sixty-fifth

timates of expenditures of the Govern- the northeast.) The American raiders ment in the first year of war were have found that the shells had worked placed at \$21,000,000,000. With the fis- terrific havon at many places. on Trial Trip.

San Francisco, Cal., May 5—The reset ship in the world, built by the San Francisco, Shipbuildies.

San Francisco Shipbuildies.

Finance Committee had in mind any additional objects of taxation to be included in such amendatory legislation as tacked by the infantry. may be necessary later in the war. He greater intake of cash from taxes would taken into the

when the need arises there are ample means to meet it." he said.

Frightfulness.

LONDON, May 5 -- German airpianes ecently have been attacking Dutch fishing vessels with machine gun fire wherever the little boats have been found it a harrowing experience They said their boat had been attacked by four German Father Hemmick Joins Regiairmen, who for two hours rained ma-chine gun bullets on their unarmed ship. The crew took to the boats and rowed sixty miles before being picked up by small British vessel. Their ship was later brought into the harbor by a Britsh destroyer, and bore numerous signs

"Sun" Fund to Follow Big Loan Over the Top

THE third Liberty Loan went over the top with a bang. Another top is going to crossed before many days have Between THE SUN Tobacco Fund's present figure and the \$275,000 line there is a gap of only \$8,369.89. Fall in, everybody! Close the ranks! See page 5.

Sergeant Arthur Guy Empey said in his speech Saturday

"The result of that Liberty Loan campaign was fine, yet it will not create a sensation among the boys Over There because was just what they expected But when they get tobacco through the fund they shout: "'Hooray! God bless those dear home folks.'"

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REPEL ENEMY ON TOUL FRONT

Simmons of Senate Com- Artillery Scatters Force Reoccupying Trench in No Man's Land.

They May Exceed Advance Quick and Deadly Fire Nips German Attack Before Fairly Started.

By the Associated Press. WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY May 5.—The Germans nance believes that the financial condi-tion of the United States Government is better to-day than at any time since Toul sector, which was the scene of the this nation entered the war and that an- fighting on April 10 and 12. Soon after covered that the Germans had crept in-to the position with a large number of machine guns and tools, apparently in

tending to consolidate the trenches with the German system.

The American artillery got into action quickly, sweeping a high explosive bar-rage back and forth across the newly occupied ground. The guns rained steel on the Germans until nearly daylight, and when the patrols went out to in-vestigate they found not a single enemy. nancial condition by more than \$5,- Some material, however, had been left

year ago indicated it would be. The one time, after the Germans were dis-third Liberty Loan campaign is only a covered, that another attack on the part of the occasion for this encourage. Americans was about to be launched, probably to cover the consolidation effort. If so, quick action by the artillery

Other Attempts Expected.

arry out their designs against this posi-ion, and it is not unlikely that more and 8,000, without distinction of rank

or has completely chased the Germans from their front positions and has wiped certain sections of the targets in the enemy rear area off the map. This is the same artillery that not long ago gave a similar performance in another

investigation shows, the Germans have entirely abandoned the territory at least as far back as a point beyond their second line. The only signs that they are there at all are a few machine gun posts hidden in out of the way places in the back areas which cut loose when

these American artillerymen are the lines south, southwest and southeast of Halloville. (This town is approximately thirteen miles almost directly east of #A little less than a year ago the es-mates of expenditures of the Govern-the northeast.) The American raiders

Viscount French's appointment, it is believed, will go a long way toward believed, will go a long way toward bringing this about, while it is also taken to indicate that the Government intends to bring out its home rule proposals at the earliest possible moment.

Gen. French succeeds Baron Wimborne, who was appointed in 1915, berne, who was appointed in 1915, and reappointed the following August after the Dublin the following August after the following August after the following August after the following August after th

sponded that the Finance Committee and eight men attempted to raid one of d continuously in mind the fact that our forward posts, consisting of three fore the end of the war America would men. The Germans captured one of our

necessary
In attempting to recover their prisoner expressive are not unmindful of this and the Germans strayed into the American gratical continuous conti lines. They were attacked and the pa-trol leader was wounded and captured. He belonged to a reserve Saxon regi-

tered a superior enemy force of twenty-two men. Fighting as they went, they made their way back to the American lines without losses.

RED CROSS PRIEST GOES INTO BATTLE

ment Which Lacks Chaplain.

BY RAYMOND G. CARROLL.

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blistered, blackened, projectile-raining protection, under which all offences district into a paradise of spring flow- against public peace and order may be ers, where birds were singing and there was green foliage. A young officer, recently promoted from the ranks, who brings up food every night at 11 o'clock of personalities already mentioned.

'Are you there, father "He bears a charmed life and suc-ceeds where others have failed. He told me he always kneeled for prayer at the beginning of the shelled area to ask the blessed Virgin for unscathed passage.' Father Hemmick formerly was vice-

rector of the Newman School at Hackmack. N. J.

GERMAN SITUATION GRAVE; LYS POSITIONS IN DANGER; MUST ATTACK OR RETREAT

FOOD DICTATES **UKRAINE RULE**

Necessary Also to Save the Army, Says German Vice-Chancellor.

TELLS OF ALLEGED PLOT

Charges That Committee of Safety Plotted "a Sort of Sicilian Vespers."

> By the Associated Press AMSTERDAM, May 5 .- Friederich vor Payer, the Imperial German Vice-Chanellor, speaking yesterday before the Main Committee of the Reichstag, at tempted to justify Germany's use of the iron hand in Ukrainia in the last few days, where, he asserted, prominent Ukrainlans, under the title of the com mittee of safety, had been caught planning the assassination of all German officers, or, as the Vice-Chancellor phrased it, "a sort of Sicilian vespers." (Sicilian vespers is the term given to the massacre of the French in Sicily

by the Sicilians, which began at Palerme on March 30, 1282; so called from its The Germans seem determined to Monday. The populace ran through the tion, and it is not unlikely that more and \$.000, without distinction of rank, sharp fighting will be seen here, for it age or sex, were killed.)

A Berlin official statement on May 2 very valuable to the Americans because of the nature of the terrain.

During the last three days the American artillery in the Luneville sector has completely chased the Germans.

"the Government has proved too weak to maintain law and order." These officials were freed a short time later. Von Payer declared, according to Ber-in despatches, that the membership committee of safety included sev eral Ukrainian Ministers and that the added, therefore "took steps to render

Food Supply a Necessity.

"The Germans entered Ukraine," said the Vice-Chancellor, "at the express wish of the Ukrainian Government for a lively interest in getting foodstuffs as speedily as possible. The general idea then was that great quantities of food-stuffs could be procured in Ukraine and the Ukrainians undertook to deliver at least 1,000,000 tons by August 1. The measure to prevent knowledge of the Rada, however, had no means of intrue state of affairs from becoming sisting on the delivery of the grain by known. The hunger tick who wish to

"Our activity in this direction has What is probably a new German been to a certain extent a source of trusted to hold their tongues, diquefied gas was projected yesterday against the Pica dy front, where American fitted the Caraman Government has nother than the property of the Ukrainian Government has not the property of the Ukrainian Governm No lafantry Attacks.

The gas in its liquid form is contained in glass bottles. On bursting they give first some substance from which heavy, chite fumes, transparent in texture, commune to arise for five minutes. No decomine to arise for five minutes. The gada recently has lost concerned. The Rada recently has lost concerned to the south the promised dividence in the deer control which for a time soared up like a fierce of the soute of the press to keep it alive. The people from country have been dividence in the deer control which for a time soared up like a fierce of the soutes of the press to keep it alive. The people from country have been dividence in the deer control which for a time of the people through the alive. The people from so country have been dividence in the deer control which for a time of the people from the country have been to the people with the promised victors.

The people and the project has dividence in the deer the form which for a time of the people are becomined to the people are deered to keep the country have been directed by the dovernment to ing to do with the decree issued by Gen, von Eichhorn (commander of the German army group in Russia) relative

cultivated and that Ukraine thereby would be unable to fulfil her obligations

The interests of our prople, therefore tions. Moreover, the decree was not ad-dressed to the Ukrainian people, but to the German military authorities.

"Measures have now been taken that in all affairs of political importance our

ollaboration with the derman Minbete "As regards the arrest of members ne Government in the Rada on the Ukrainian Bank, and a member of the delegation which conducted the financial negotiations with us, was arrested by three armed men, who asserted they acted on the instructions of the Committee of Ukrainian Salvation.

"There was thus undoubted danger to oner was asked in French if duct funerals under terrific file.

"Owing to the difficulty in get and coffins forwarded along the heavy coffins forwarded along the heavy buried in their blankets. Crossing back into the area at the rear of the American forward lines I passed from the blistered, blackened, projectile-raining brotection," under which all offences blackened, projectile-raining protection, under which all offences

Regrets Arrests in Rada.

The Vice-Chancellor explained that the arrests made in the Rada while that body was in session was a regrettable Powers has been initiated, blunder for which impediate reparation was made and regret in writing extons connected with the conclusion of pressed. The German local commander the peace between the two countries, responsible for the blunder was im-

U. S. Patrol Penetrates Line, Gets Prisoners

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, May 5.—One of the American patrols in the Luneville sector entered the hamlet of Anservillers early this morning and penetrated the Ger-man lines to a distance of 800 yards. On the way back the pa-trol discovered an enemy observation post, in which were a corporal and six men. The Americans promptly attacked, killing three of the enemy and taking

the other four prisoners, one of them in a wounded condition. The first the Germans knew that the American patrol was grenades, followed by bullets, hit the post. The patrol ceased firing when the enemy cried "Kamerad!"

FOOD SHORTAGE

Refugee Says Conditions Are More Serious Than Outside World Knows.

GOVERNMENT IS ANXIOUS

People Are Crying for Peace as a Means of Obtaining Necessities of Life.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SEN. Copyright, 1915; all rights reserved. LONDON, May 5 .- The reason for jubilant official announcement sent out by Germany last night that large quantities of grain and other provisions from bly is to be found in information reach ing Switzerland in regard to conditions in Germany, which are desperate.

A Pollah fugitive who has arrived n Berne from Berlin says that as regards food supplies Germany is in the the population. The Germans therefore had to concern themselves with obtaining deliveries in accordance with the longer permitted to do so. Passants are issued only to those who can be In Herlin everybody is crying for food | two possibilities, to advance at once of

food parcels from outside. Gen, von Elchnorn's ruthless methods of dealing with the farmers of the Uk-One of the American patrols encountered a superior enemy force of twentyered a superior enemy force of twentyered a superior enemy force of twentytions. Moreover, the decree was not adthat such methods only add to the numher of Germany's enemies.

GERMANS EXECUTE FRENCH BOY SCOUT Refuses to Give Information

and Dies With Smile.

meeting of Boy Scouts at thuildhall to

With the Amelican Troops in France Union Form May 5.—The Rev. W. A. Hemmick of Washington, D. C., a Red Cross chaplain, ascertaining that a regiment of infantry was going into battle on the Pleardy front and was without a chaplain, immediately attached himself thereto. He gave may his story as follows:

"Thave lived seven days in chalk dugouts opposite the peak of the German thrust. I was also quartered in the saine towrf on the second line where Light-Col. Griffiths was killed and whom I buried. Fifteen minutes walk away through the open country were the front lines which I visited whenever necessary. I came out frequently to con-

RUMANIA IN NEW PEACE ACT. Economic Agreement Initiated by

AMSTERDAM, May 5 - An economic treaty supplementing the treaty of peace between Rumania and the Central

Bombardment Indicates Enemy Will Try New Drive for High Ground.

INFANTRY IS INACTIVE

Resumption of Operations on Large Scale Believed to Be Near at Hand.

HAMPERED IN TRANSPORT

Possibility That Picardy and Not Flanders Will Be the Scene of Next Blow.

LONDON, May 5 .- Although a week has passed since the Germans were o terribly punished southwest of Ypres and it is known that they have been making preparations to resume their offensive on the same or an even larger scale, the infantry operations to-day and last night were only of the minor character known as local fighting. In these clashes, however, it is now the Allies who take the initiative and capture the prisoners.

The artillery on both sides, however, is active, particularly the German guns on the south side of the valley south. Every previous check of the Germans has been followed by an attack on a different part of the battle line; if the Germans hold true to form this time they are more likely to launch their drive in the valley of the Somme toward Amiens, or on the Oise

n the vicinity of Noyon.

severely punished than has been sup-posed, they have had sufficient time to reorganize their hadly battered divisions, bring up fresh supplies of food and ammunition and more guns and resume

It is unfortunate for them that the

cally confined to the low ground with their foes holding the heights on the north and south, with full command of all the roads and avenues of transport by means of their heavy guns, During the last week German trans-

problem seems to offer a choice of only

Line Advanced 500 Yards.

ment developing various defects in ac-tual service. Their ponderous weight makes manusuring over laid ground

Official War Reports.

tienerally they are much in-

Following are the official reports of BRITISH (NIGHT) - French troops captured a number of prisoners in local lighting in the neighborhood of Locre during last night. With the exception of actillery activity on both sides and local encounters at different points to-day, there is nothing of special in-

minor enterprises carried out last night in the neighborhood of Sailly-le-See and east of Hebuterne we effected improvements in our line at these points and captured several prisoners. Early this morning the enemy attacked the new positions gamed by us Friday night northeast of Hinges

BRITISH (DAY)-By successful

and was repuised. Our line is intact.
We carried out a successful raid in the
Nieppe Forest sector.
The artillery has been active on
both sides of the Lys battle front termiffert activity by the opposing ar-tilleries north and south of the Avra River to-day, but there were no in-

fantry engagements.

During the days of May 2 and 4 nine German airplanes were brought down by our posts, two were shot down by our defensive fire and other enemy machines were disabled. During the same days and on the night of May 2-4 our aviators offectively bombarded enemy establishments in a number of sorties, 28,000 kilograms of projecties

both sides was active north and south of the Avre and also in the sectors of Domained (Verdun front) and Flirey (Lorraine near the American Tout sector). There was no infantry ac-

being dropped upon the railway sta-

ions of Ham. Noyon, Chaulnes, Jussy,

to Lorraine a raiding operation was carried out by the French in the region of Letricourt. Patrol operations in the region of Amerillers resulted in the taking of prisoners.